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total potato stocks

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Storage stocks of Irish potatoes for all uses held by growers, local dealers, and processors in fall producing areas totaled 121.8 million hundredweight on February 1, 1972, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This is only slightly less than the 121.9 million cwt. on hand for all uses a year earlier, but 10 percent more than the 111.2 million of February 1, 1970.

Stocks in the eight eastern States, at 32.2 million cwt. were 3 percent above last year's holdings of 31.2 million cwt. Maine stocks of 24.8 million cwt. compare with 23.5 million cwt. on hand a year earlier. There were fewer potatoes on hand than a year earlier in Upstate New York, and in Pennsylvania, but Long Island supplies were larger.

February 1 stocks in the eight central States totaled 26.0 million cwt. this year, 13 percent more than the 23.1 million in 1971. Minnesota had 8.3 million cwt., compared with 6.3 million cwt. a year ago. North Dakota stocks were 9.5 million cwt. compared with 8.9 million cwt. last year. Stocks in Wisconsin of 3.9 million cwt. were 11 percent more than last year, Michigan at 2.5 million cwt., was down 15 percent from a year earlier.

In the eight western States February 1 holdings totaled 63.6 million cwt., down 6 percent from last year at 67.6 million cwt. Idaho stocks, of 40.5 million cwt., equaled the year earlier level. Washington stocks, at 10.4 million cwt., were down from 12.5 million a year earlier. Stocks in California and Wyoming continue above a year ago levels, but in the other western States were below a year ago.

Disappearance to February 1 from the 1971 fall production of 249.9 million cwt. was 128.1 million cwt., compared with 130.9 million cwt. for the 1970 crop and 127.3 million cwt. from the 1969 crop.

Movement of the 1971 fall potato crop to fresh market and chippers through January 31, as indicated by rail and truck unloads, was less than a year earlier. More potatoes from the 1971 fall crop were used for processing, excluding chips for the season through January 31, 1972, than during the corresponding 1970-71 period. However, January 1972 usage for processing was less than a year earlier.

Sales of fall potatoes for all purposes--including fresh market, processing, seed, and livestock feed has accounted for about 88 percent of the fall production in recent years. The balance of the crop disappearance is from shrinkage and waste and used for seed on farms where grown, livestock feed, and food.

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Fall Potatoes: Production, December 1, January 1, February 1 and March 1 total stocks, crops of 1960-71 in the fall States

Year	Production	Total Stocks			
		December 1	January 1 following year	February 1 following year	March 1 following year
	1,000 cwt.				
1960	175,071	122,740	103,595	82,670	62,645
1961	204,235	145,020	122,215	96,120	72,960
1962 1/	194,875	135,745	115,770	91,970	70,250
1963	198,195	136,995	115,000	89,300	67,280
1964	174,491	114,550	94,205	73,120	54,535
1965	216,809	147,070	123,460	98,260	74,605
1966	227,787	152,640	127,380	103,040	79,517
1967	231,224	161,710	139,350	112,770	86,465
1968	220,786	152,800	130,430	104,915	81,900
1969	238,475	162,505	137,965	111,165	87,350
1970 2/	252,774	174,665	149,710	121,850	96,660
1971	249,895	173,160	148,050	121,760	

1/ Seasonal groupings effective with 1962: All Idaho and Oregon classified as fall. In Colorado, all areas outside of San Luis Valley classified as late summer and the San Luis Valley as fall.
2/ Revised August 1971 Pot 6 (71).

Potatoes: Fall crop production and sales, 1965-71

Year	Production	Sold 1/	Percent sold
	1,000 cwt.		
1965	216,809	192,147	89
1966	227,787	191,329	84
1967	231,224	200,692	87
1968	220,786	194,738	88
1969	238,475	209,841	88
1970	252,774	222,674	88
1971	249,895	2/	

1/ Includes potatoes sold for all purposes--food, processing, seed and livestock feed.
2/ Available August, 1972 in Potato Disposition Report.

Potatoes: Production and total stocks of fall potatoes held by growers and local dealers on February 1, 1971 and February 1, 1972 1/

State	Crop of 1970		Crop of 1971	
	Production	Total stocks Feb. 1, 1971	Production	Total stocks Feb. 1, 1972
	1,000 cwt.			
Maine	35,700	23,500	37,700	24,800
New Hampshire	184	60	175	70
Vermont	240	110	264	120
Massachusetts	1,046	260	966	260
Rhode Island	1,323	50	1,344	150
Connecticut	1,127	270	1,081	220
New York - L. I.	6,291	1,500	5,290	1,700
- Upstate	8,684	2,700	7,935	2,200
Pennsylvania	8,280	2,750	8,165	2,700
8 Eastern	62,875	31,200	62,920	32,220
Ohio	2,516	470	2,243	400
Indiana	1,596	130	1,586	120
Michigan	7,566	2,950	6,785	2,500
Wisconsin	9,308	3,500	9,540	3,900
Minnesota	11,440	6,300	14,850	8,300
North Dakota	17,400	8,900	18,445	9,500
South Dakota	713	200	1,053	530
Nebraska	1,700	600	1,768	700
8 Central	52,239	23,050	56,270	25,950
Montana	1,388	1,170	1,326	1,050
Idaho	74,660	40,500	75,850	40,500
Wyoming	612	190	703	250
Colorado	9,990	4,350	7,015	3,400
Utah	1,088	340	928	320
Washington	25,010	12,500	22,910	10,350
Oregon	15,408	5,100	13,998	4,170
California	9,504	3,450	7,975	3,550
8 Western	137,660	67,600	130,705	63,590
Total 24 Fall States	252,774	121,850	249,895	121,760

1/ Total stocks consist of "production less total disappearance to date."

Population: Total and civilian, United States, 1965-71 and projected 1972

Year	Total including Armed Forces overseas		Civilian	
	January 1	July 1	January 1	July 1
	Millions			
1965	193.2	194.2	190.5	191.5
1966	195.5	196.5	192.6	193.3
1967	197.7	198.6	194.3	195.2
1968	199.7	200.6	196.3	197.0
1969	201.7	202.6	198.3	199.1
1970	203.8	204.8	200.4	201.6
1971	206.0	207.0	203.0	204.2
Projections				
1972	208.1	209.2	205.4	206.6

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Potatoes: Per capita civilian consumption, calendar years 1965-70

Year	Processed					Fresh use	Total fresh and processed 1/
	Canned	Dehydrated	Frozen	Chips and Shoestrings	Total		
	Pounds						
1965	.5	8.1	14.3	15.8	38.7	69.1	107.8
1966	.6	10.3	17.3	16.7	44.9	68.7	113.6
1967	.5	10.0	19.0	16.9	46.4	65.1	111.5
1968	.6	10.6	21.4	17.1	49.7	66.1	115.8
1969	.6	12.1	24.6	17.7	55.0	62.5	117.5
1970 2/	.7	12.8	27.8	17.7	59.0	59.6	118.6

1/ Based on total supplies of all potatoes available during the calendar year. Farm weight basis.

2/ Preliminary.